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Viewing cable 05CAIRO8321, TAKING AL-MANAR OFF ARAB SATELLITES

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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
05CAIRO8321	2005-10-31 08:25	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Cairo

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NSC FOR ABRAMS/POUNDS

E.O. 12958: DECL: 10/25/2015

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SUBJECT: TAKING AL-MANAR OFF ARAB SATELLITES

Classified by Ambassador Francis J. Ricciardone for reasons

1.4 (b) and (d).

[1](#)1. (U) This is an action message. Please see paragraph 7.

Summary

[1](#)2. (C) Embassy Cairo has been engaging the GOE, the Arab League, and Cairo-based foreign diplomats, to take action to remove Hizballah's Al-Ma

Taking the Case to Cairo

[1](#)3. (C) Among the Embassy's priorities in the past month has been engaging the GOE on the need to drop Al-Manar, Hizballah's noxious and terror

[1](#)4. (C) During a mid-October visit to Cairo, Staffdel Rickman raised the issue of Al-Manar with the Chairman of the Egyptian Government's State

GOE Response: A Mixed Bag

[1](#)5. (C) The GOE response has been mixed to date. Our Egyptian interlocutors have expressed agreement with our position, but we have detected nc

[1](#)6. (C) Minister of Information Anas al-Fiqqi, a polished member of Gamal Mubarak's reformist circle, has told us he "has been looking for any

More Action Needed

[1](#)7. (C) We recommend the Department and other U.S. national security agencies consider further steps to advance the goal of taking Al-Manar off

--Broader diplomatic engagement with European and Arab governments. This campaign should also aim to inform posts and regional governments on t

--Interagency counter-terror finance scrutiny of Arab banks cited in Manar's fundraising solicitations, and instructions to the field for appr

--Increased American and/or cooperative international monitoring of Al-Manar and of any other satellite broadcasts and webcasts that constitute

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